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In re Application of: )  
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Serial Number: 09/522,274 ) Mansour M.  
Filing Date: March 9, 2000 )  
Art Unit: 2673  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR )  
AUTOMATIC POWER-UP AND )  
POWER-DOWN OF A COMPUTER )  
SYSTEM BASED ON THE POSITIONS )  
OF AN ASSOCIATED STYLUS )  
AND/OR HINGE )

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on May 19, 2003, and received prior to the filing of the present Request for Continued Examination, Applicants respectfully request further examination and reconsideration of the above captioned patent application in view of the amendments and arguments set forth below.

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